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3 RESOLUTION NO. 98-282

4 RESOLUTION OF THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORT OF THE
6 CALFED PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE THREE

7 WHEREAS, water is the lifeline of California, and California has a diverse economy
8 with many diverse types of water users, each having equally important needs for the state's
9 water, and;

10 WHEREAS, southern California currently faces a water supply, reliability and delivery
11 problem that threatens its diverse economy, and its water needs will continue to increase
12 significantly in the future as our population continues to grow, and;

13 WHEREAS, two-thirds of southern California's water supply is dependent on sources
14 outside our region, and the San Francisco Bay-Sacramento Delta is a significant source of this
15 import water supply, and;

16 WHEREAS, southern California remains heavily dependent on a reliable and safe water
17 supply from this region, it also recognizes the importance of local supplies and has been a
18 leader in the development of demand management and water recycling programs, and;

19 WHEREAS, a lack of investment in the Bay-Delta system has resulted in the degradation
20 and declining health of the estuary and has reduced southern California's water supply quality,
21 and;

22 WHEREAS, higher state and federal water quality standards are being imposed, and;

23 WHEREAS, with the reliability of water supplies for California's future at stake, a joint
24 federal and state program (CALFED) was formed to develop a long-term comprehensive plan
25 to restore the ecological health, and improve water management for beneficial uses of the Bay-
26 Delta system, and;

27 WHEREAS, after three years CALFED has developed and refined through public
workshops, technical work groups, an advisory council and an interagency team, three

1 alternatives which are undergoing a programmatic environmental review, and;

2 WHEREAS, each of these alternatives comprises six common programs: ecosystem
3 restoration; water use efficiency; water quality; improved Delta levees; watershed management;
4 water transfers, and;

5 WHEREAS, they differ mainly in the amounts of additional water storage capacity and
6 the method of conveying water across the Delta, and;

7 WHEREAS, CALFED will now be focusing on selecting a preferred program alternative
8 and this selection will determine the long-term reliability and quality of water available to
9 southern California, and;

10 WHEREAS, the water resources of the state shall be developed in a manner that protect
11 the natural resources of the state but also supplies the urban and agricultural users with an
12 adequate, reliable and safe water supply in a manner that supports California's economic
13 growth, and;

14 WHEREAS, the people of southern California, while having the need to implement
15 ecosystem restoration projects within their own regions, are willing to join all the other people
16 in the state to fund Bay-Delta restoration projects, and;

17 WHEREAS, Alternative Three appears to provide the greatest range of advantages to all
18 Delta water users, and provides to southern California the water quality and water supply
19 reliability that will help support southern California's economic growth.

20 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of
21 Riverside, assembled in regular session on . Sept. 1, 1998, that this Board:

22 (1) Supports the CALFED six common Program elements, and;

23 (2) Agrees to participate in meaningful measures to implement reasonable and cost
24 effective demand management strategies, and;

25 (3) To the extent of its authority, support expansion of the use of recycled waters,
26 and;

27 (4) Strongly endorse the CALFED Preferred Alternative Three, that will provide a

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



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On motion of Supervisor Buster, seconded by Supervisor Tavaglione and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from Supervisor Venable regarding Adoption of Resolution 98-282, in Support of the CALFED Preferred Alternative Three, is continued to Tuesday, September 1, 1998.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Venable and Wilson
Noes: None
Absent: Mullen

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an order made and entered on August 18, 1998 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors

Dated: August 18, 1998

Gerald A. Maloney, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

(seal)

By: *Liana Allie*, Deputy

AGENDA NO.

1 comprehensive solution to the ecosystem of the Bay-Delta.

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Roll Call:

5 Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Venable, Wilson and Mullen

6 Noes: None

7 Absent: None

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